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IPAMS Bicycle Club raises \$45,000 for energy assistance for Colorado families; wildlife habitat protection

(DENVER) On Saturday, July 14th, the Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States (IPAMS) Bicycle Club participated in the 2007 Colorado Triple Bypass, a 120 mile ride from Evergreen to Avon. Through several generous donations from the club's sponsors, the IPAMS Bicycle Club has raised over \$40,000 for Energy Outreach Colorado and Conservation in Action.

The team, composed of 18 riders, was among the 3,500 to take part in this year's Triple Bypass. The ride covers 120 miles from Evergreen to Avon over Squaw (11,140 ft.), Loveland (11,990 ft.), Swan Mountain and Vail (10,560 ft.) passes, with over 10,000 feet in elevation gain.

Money raised will go to support Energy Outreach Colorado in providing assistance to low income families in paying their energy bills.

"Colorado's energy industry has an outstanding record in supporting our mission of assisting low-income families with their energy needs," said Skip Arnold, Executive Director of Energy Outreach Colorado. "I'm delighted that our relationship with IPAMS has helped to foster these generous donations."

Funds raised through the club will also go towards Conservation in Action to help fund its mission of protecting wildlife habitat throughout the Intermountain West.

"A portion of these sponsorships will go towards sustaining partnerships among energy companies and the conservation and sporting communities as well as the implementation of on-the-ground wildlife habitat improvements here in the Intermountain West," said IPAMS Executive Director Marc Smith.

IPAMS Bicycle Club corporate sponsors include Oil and Gas Investor Magazine, Devon Energy Corp., Cordillera, Bill Barrett Corp., Sequel Energy Ventures, Prima Exploration, Tracker Resource Development, EOG Resources, Quantum Resources, Hogan & Hartson, J.L. Obourn Jr. & Co., National Fuel Corporation, Bank of the West, Enerplus Resources, Dudley & Associates, Robert L. Bayless LLC, Stonegate Resources, Lario Oil & Gas, Forest Oil Corp., Energy Spectrum Advisors, Plexus Capital, EnCap Investments, Ernst & Young, Delta Petroleum, Hexagon Investments, Tristone Capital, and Black Creek Capital.

Individual sponsors include Jim & Kathy Lightner, Jim Schroeder, Randy Pharo & Joey Porcelli, Steven Kris, Kevin Stowe, Ward Polzin, Mitchell Solich and Tad Herz. For more information about the IPAMS Bicycle Club or to become a sponsor, please visit www.ipamsbicycleclub.com.

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About Energy Outreach Colorado

Energy Outreach Colorado is dedicated to keeping Colorado homes warm, healthy and safe by raising money for energy assistance. Through charitable donations, EOC assists people in emergency situations by helping pay the balances on their utility bills. The group also helps limited income families to be more self-sufficient by funding energy efficiency measures that lower energy costs in affordable housing across Colorado. For more information, visit www.energyoutreach.org/.

About Conservation in Action

Conservation in Action is a partnership of groups and individuals dedicated to improving and protecting North American wildlife habitat. Its mission is to identify and implement projects to improve wildlife habitat and further our understanding of the sustainable coexistence of wildlife and energy development. For more information about how energy companies are partnering with conservation and sporting organizations to protect and improve wildlife habitat in areas where energy development occurs, visit www.conservationinaction.us.

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The Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States (IPAMS), founded in 1974, is a non-profit trade association representing more than 400 independent oil and gas producers, service and supply companies, banking and financial institutions and industry consultants committed to environmentally responsible oil and natural gas development in the Intermountain West. More information on IPAMS and its members is available at www.ipams.org.